

STRIKE

by David Schulze

On February 2 McGill's 400 unionized maintenance workers will go on an illegal strike.

They will join the rest of Québec's university workers and the Common Front of public sector employees in a province-wide general strike, involving over 200,000 workers starting January 26.

The strike is to demand that the Québec government withdraw recent legislation that has imposed contracts on university and public sector employees, including wage cuts of up to 19.45 per cent. Unions want the government to return to the bargaining table for open negotiations.

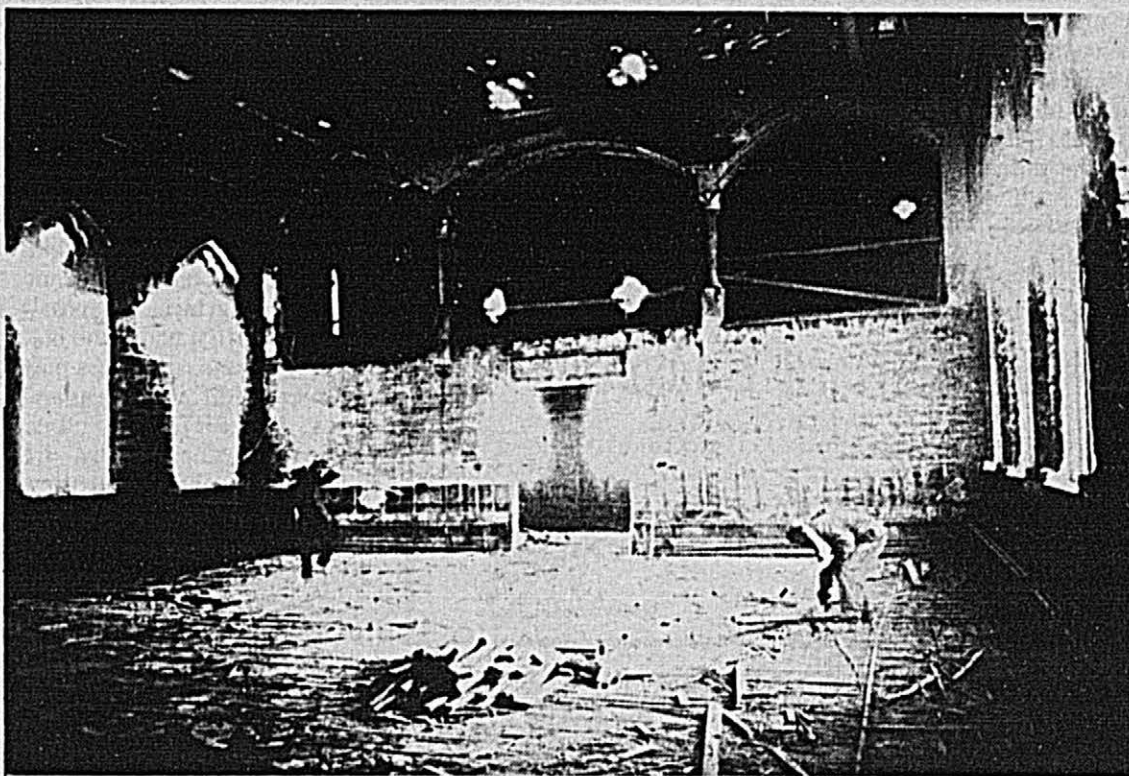
At a strike vote yesterday morning, members of the McGill local of the Service Employees Union/Québec Federation of Labour (FTQ) Local 298 voted 102 to 26 in favour of a strike. With 128 members in attendance, the strike vote meeting had one of the biggest turn-outs ever.

"I expected it (the vote) to be a lot closer than that," a member of the local's negotiating committee said.

Residences, the Faculty Club, the Computing Centre, Printing Services, Physical Plant and janitorial staff in the other buildings will all be affected but none of the clerical staff or faculty are unionised and will not strike. Some professors are expected to cancel classes in sympathy and refuse to cross the picket line.

Students in residence will still be served breakfast but will receive cash to buy their other meals. Food outlets such as vending machines will be closed

please turn to page 2



Workers have torn the renovations out of Morrice Hall and are redesigning the interior to house Islamic Studies library and save the full view of the tall windows. See story page 3.

Student movement solidarity?

Associations gather

by Molra Ambrose

The Québec student movement faced a grim fate until this weekend. Now bureaucracy remains, but organisation is visible through the haze.

This weekend's conference was sponsored by the Concordia University Students' Association and operated under the Comité pour la Coordina-

tion Unitaire (CCU) established at a December conference in Trois Rivières. The CCU is a group of student associations attempting to restructure the almost defunct Québec student movement.

A report given by CCU members outlined traditional educational reforms as the movement's goal. Any member group could belong to a national association and the CCU organisation would not support particular unions or groups. McGill is not a founding member of the CCU.

The most controversial issue of the meeting was student solidarity with workers going on strike January 29th under the constraints of Bill 105. Public sector workers are hit with wage reductions of almost 20 per cent

and due to cutbacks teaching workloads in some colleges will increase 25 per cent.

The conference voted to support striking workers and union locals. McGill representatives Benji Trister, Students' Society Vice-President External, Bruce Hicks, Society Vice-President Internal and councillors Tim Baikie and Ramesh Singal abstained from all union votes under a mandate Council gave them last week. Only Council as a whole may take a stand on the upcoming strike because McGill residence cafeteria and maintenance workers are included in those planning to walk out.

The only restructuring of the provincial student movement that actually occurred came in a

please turn to page 6

Faculty moves towards entropy

by Shari Cooper

Some McGill faculty are no longer interested in the organisation that negotiates academic grievances and salaries with University administration. The McGill Association of University Teachers' (MAUT) membership dropped this year to 880 professors from 940 in 1982, according to MAUT secretary Catherine MacAulay.

However, faculty have dropped out of the McGill Association of University Teachers (MAUT) in the same proportion as those leaving McGill in general, according to Jagdish Handa, president of the MAUT.

Handa, an associate professor of Economics, says "the fall has corresponded with the cutback in faculty at McGill." He says approximately 80 per cent of McGill faculty belongs to the MAUT.

Sidney Ingerman, also an associate professor of economics, says he left the MAUT "because it was what we call 'a company union'."

"Whether they've lost members or they may lose members in the future, I think many people realise that it doesn't matter if you're a member of MAUT or not because it and the administration are identical."

He adds, "Historically, MAUT was a legitimate representative of the staff, before it was co-opted."

Handa says MAUT is a democratic organisation in which "faculty members have the dominant position at every level." Review for promotion is in the hands of the faculty committees in the departments, the selection process for promotion and appointments is dominated

by faculty, and grievances are heard by faculty committees, he contends.

"We are not a company," he stresses. "The university is not a company, the university is a community of scholars and

please turn to page 2

Hicks implicated in Daily heist

by Gordon Ritchie of CanUqn University Press

When is a prank not a prank? That's the question McGill Daily staff and Vice-President Internal Affairs Bruce Hicks must be asking themselves in the wake of last Friday's unauthorised front page switch.

Early Friday morning an individual or individuals substituted the Daily's front page with their own. The finished pages had been left with a Union Building security guard for courier transportation to the printer.

The prank was subsequently entered in the Engineering Undergraduate Society's "Rip-Off Contest" as part of

Engineering Week.

One of three unsigned front page stories alleged the Program Board, Students' Society's social committee, was responsible for the substitution.

However, Editor-in-Chief Richard Flint believes Hicks is responsible.

"I am assured by representatives of the Program Board that they had no involvement," said Flint.

As a result Hicks is being invoiced for \$960 — the cost of a full page advertisement and guaranteed front page placement as per the Daily rate card. Hicks was ineligible for any student discount because the copy was not authorised by the Daily.

The Daily chose to invoice Hicks because he was responsible for the typesetting of the alternate front page. Flint said the page was typeset at CUSASET, the same shop where the Students' Society newspaper, the Tribune, is set.

According to CUSASET manager, Dwight Smith, Hicks told him to bill the Tribune account. Smith said Hicks had previously charged other work to the Tribune account without the authorisation of editor Anne MacLennan.

"She told me that she never gave any approval whatsoever for that work (the faked front page) and that it had nothing to

please turn to page 6

CORRECTION

In the story titled "Women in Hard Hats" which appeared in last Wednesday's edition of the Daily, we neglected to attribute the story as an adaption of one written by Jeannie Lee in the December 3, 1982 Concordia Link.

...McGill maintenance workers to strike

because garbage will not be collected. Except in emergencies, university printing will be done off campus. Supervisory staff will continue to run the university's power plant and forepersons will probably take over the tradesperson's repair duties. Sam Kingdon, director of Physical Resources, said last week he didn't anticipate any

great problems as a result of a strike.

Student loan payments, already late, may be delayed further when government employees go on strike next week. Government employees are part of the Common Front which last night announced it had rejected Premier René Lévesque's offer of \$500 million worth of job creation in the

private sector and certain improvements in job security in return for calling off the strike.

McGill union members were upset about their government-imposed contract which wipes out a 2.8 per cent pay raise scheduled for January 1 and cuts wages instead. Said one member: "First they give us money, then they take it away, now they say they're going to give some of it back again."

Workers are also reacting to the slow progress of negotiations with the universities and recent management proposals on job security and mobility. Mobility means employees may be moved to different areas and posts on different days. Employees whose jobs are eliminated are guaranteed a new position if they have been working at the university for at least two years, but they must accept transfers to lower positions or risk being fired.

"They're not offering you job security, they're offering you job insecurity," a member of the McGill local's executive told the meeting.

Strike background

The Common Front unites public sector workers in Québec's three labour federations, the Québec Federation of Labour, the Confédération des syndicats nationaux and the Centrale de l'enseignement au Québec. Early in 1982 the Common Front was asked to accept wage cuts, but refused. Negotiations with the government continued almost until the contract expired on January 1, but at the end of them the government imposed the wage cuts through legislation.

University workers are in a separate front but generally act with the Common Front to give their demands maximum impact. They negotiate with the university administrations but their salaries are paid by government subsidies.

Bill 105 imposes a three-year contract on public sector workers which cuts their salaries by up to 19.45 per cent over the next three months and which will keep their salaries below 1982 levels until the beginning of 1984.

University workers were affected by Bill 70 which imposes similar wage cuts but extends their contract for only three months from December 1. Changes made to the legislation last Tuesday mean that the lowest-paid university workers will have part of their wage cuts paid back to them, but all salaries must stay at May 1982 levels. This eliminates the 10 per cent raise paid in June.

Until Bill 70 university workers were not considered part of the public sector and their unions do not negotiate directly with the government. None of the money saved through their salary reductions will go to the universities, the government will keep it.

David Shulze

Anthropology Reminders
now on sale at

The Word Bookstore

FINE SECOND HAND BOOKS
SPECIALIZING IN LITERATURE

469 MILTON STREET
TEL. 845-5640



Want to improve your reading speed and comprehension?

READING EFFICIENCY CLASSES

sponsored by the Dean of Students and offered by the
Reading Centre

Mon. and Wed. class
Jan. 31 - 9 March
10:30 - 12 noon

Tues. and Thurs. class
Feb. 1 - 10 March
10 - 11:30 am

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED

Education Building, Room 203

3700 McTavish Street

McGill Comedy Players

presents

The Laughing Stock Comedy Troupe

in
**AN EVENING WITHOUT NOEL
COWARD**

Players Theatre Jan. 26, 28, 29 8 pm

tickets \$3 available at Sadie I & II
or at the door

"for comic relief take two tickets and see us in
the evening!"

Today

Project Ploughshares

Meeting in Union 302 at 5 pm for special committee. Regular meeting in Union 302 at 6 pm.

McGill Players Theatre

Auditions for *Fully Dressed* by James Nadler from noon to 3:30, Players' Theatre, 3rd floor Union. For info call Jamie at 487-1267

Arts and Science Interdepartmental Council Meeting 5 pm in Arts Council Room.

Women's Multi-Media Art Exhibit Wine and cheese opening. Union 107/108 from 4-6 pm.

Poetry Workshop

Bring your work. Arts 230, 8 pm.

Hispanic Studies Students' Association

Va a seguir celebrando las tertulias cada miercoles desde las 3 hasta las 5 de la tarde. Hay cafe y conversacion con los estu-

diantes del departamento. Edificio Bronfman aula 697.

McGill Squash Club

Squash Night from 7-9:15 pm at Currie Gym. Sign-up for McGill Squash Open.

Women's Union

Celebration opening of Birth Control Co-op at noon, Union 423.

First of five sessions of the Body Image Workshop at 5 pm, Union 423.

ASUS

Free coffee all day in the ASUS office, Union B22.

Brass showcase:

Sections and ensembles of the university symphonies play music by Wagner, Purcell, Finger, Bowles and others, 8 pm Pollack Concert Hall. String Quintet in G by Dvorak 8 pm Recital Hall.

...MAUT

continued from page 1

students and we want that community to be governed by those same scholars and students...If we were to force our thinking into a company or union mold, which I think is inappropriate, then I'd say McGill is a company run by its workers. It's as if the workers at the company elect the presidents."

According to Ingerman, the loss of membership in the MAUT bodes ill because "The absence of an effective large staff organisation contributes to the demoralisation of the staff...and anything that contributes to the demoralisation of the staff affects the entire university and certainly the students of the university."

"There is a very large organisation of professors," counters Handa, "and that is MAUT. It is a large and cohesive organisation and it is quite sure of its principles and those principles are accepted by faculty."

The McGill Women's Union

Birth Control Co-op

A non-profit organisation providing

- birth control information on request
- birth control counselling for women and men by appointment
- wholesale contraceptives

in a relaxed and informal environment

Open Daily from 12:00-3:00 pm

Student Union Building

Room 423

Supervised by Health Services and Sponsored by Students' Society

winterlude '83

a cosmic experience

THE INTERGALACTIC GAMES

Sign up your teams **NOW!!!**
for events like:

**Liquor Pipetting,
Wheel Barrow Races
The Frat Crawl**

You can pick up sign up sheets at the Winterlude '83 booth in the lobby of the University Centre or at the office of the McGill Program Board, room B07 of the University Centre.

For more information about the games, consult the schedule which has been posted around campus OR call 392-8976.



Restaurant
McGILL
Pizza

7:00 am - 2:00 am
7:00 am - 3:00 am
(FRI & SAT)
BREAKFAST
SPECIALS
7:00 am - 11:00 am

545 MILTON

845-8011 * 845-8382

FREE DELIVERY

University in review

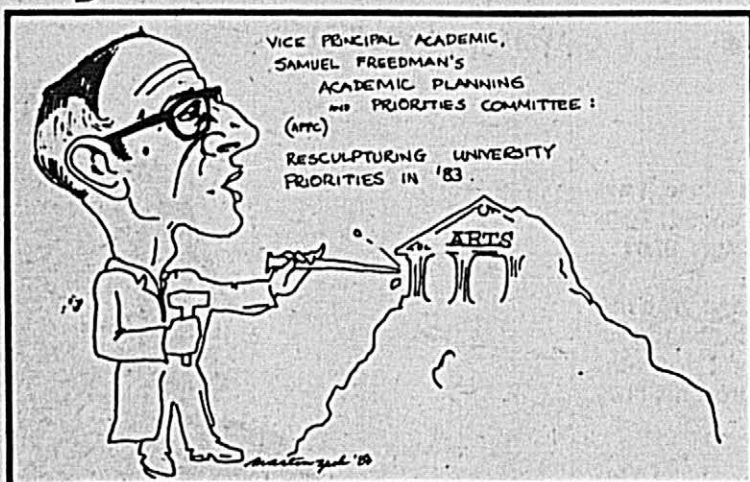
by Melinda Wittstock and Albert Nerenberg

Students walking by the administration building may hear the sound of knife-sharpening wafting out of top-floor windows. The Academic Planning and Priorities Committee (APPC), chaired by Vice-Principal Academic Samuel Freedman, is at work.

The APPC has a set-up a system of cyclical reviews (*see chart*) for all the departments in the university. The essential duty of the APPC is to reassess the academic priorities of the departments.

Last week Freedman denied that the priorities his committee determines evolve into direct budget axe-wielding. However, the APPC's program is moving forward at a time of serious financial restraint for McGill. The APPC is mandated by the Senate to resculpt departments so as to 'improve' them.

According to Freedman, the first reports from each cyclical review will go exclusively to him, Principal Johnston, and the head of the department under review. Reviews then pass to the APPC which could approve them and recommend chopping departments or sections of them. At the end of the year the reports go to Senate. Senate has the power to alter and implement the recommendations of the APPC.



Cyclical reviews this semester

Agriculture

- School of Food Science
- Department of Animal Sciences
- Department of Agricultural Chemistry and Physics

Arts

- Graduate Communications
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Sociology

Education

- Educational Psychological and Counseling

Engineering

- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical Engineering

Ad-hoc Reviews (No students on committees)

- Centre for Developing area Studies
- Centre for Northern Studies

- Mechanical Engineering
- Mining and Metallurgical Engineering

Graduate Studies

- School of Social Work

Management

- MBA program

Medicine

- McGill Cancer Centre
- Cardiology
- Physiology
- School of Human Communications Disorders

Science

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Institute of Oceanography
- Physics

Morrice Hall: Islam in Gothic

by Peter Kuitenbrouwer

Morrice Hall, 100 years old last year, has been a Presbyterian chapel, a student cafeteria, and the offices of the drama department.

For two years the gothic-style building, across the street from the University Centre, has stood unused. A \$2 million renovation project will convert it into offices for both the Islamic Studies Institute and the English department as well as the Institute's library by next September.

"It was a real disaster. The interior structure was all wood — it was a real fire trap. The wooden stairs were all twisted, and the top floor was sagging. There was a 14-inch sag in the second storey floor. You wouldn't want to put people in there, the way it was," said A. D. Elliott, director of McGill's Physical Plant.

The building's octagonal shaped library will remain as is,

but the main building will have new concrete and steel floors. The new interior will have a ground floor for stacks and a mezzanine floor for both stacks and studying. The floor on the upper storey will not touch the tall windows, so their full length will be visible.

In a Friday interview, Institute director Donald Little said Islamic Studies plans to move into Morrice Hall sometime in the late summer. "We're delighted that since we have to move, we're being put in one of the most interesting buildings on campus," he said.

McGill's Philosophy department will replace Islamic Studies in Leacock. Philosophy is moving because the School of Management, growing rapidly, needs that department's office space in the Bronfman building.

According to Don Carrier, president of Player's Theatre, the building will also house a small stage for Tuesday Night

Café, which shared Player's theatre for the last two years. "This should make scheduling easier for everyone," he said.

An ugly past

The first time McGill renovated Morrice, it partitioned the structure into cubicles and corridors, and slapped on dry-wall blocking the windows.

The builders will also preserve "as much of the original wood paneling as they can," Elliot said. "Once finished it will be a great library."

While the Institute and others will occupy most of the hall, builders will block off the tall tower on its northwest corner. Thirty years ago Elliot himself, while a student at McGill, lived in the tower's bedroom.

"We're stripping Morrice Hall down to the stone wall and the interior is being completely rebuilt with the exception of the octagonal-shaped library," said Elliot.

Women's Notes March with us

•Tonight at 5 pm at Phillips Square the Feminist Coalition Against Pornography is sponsoring a demonstration against First Choice pay t.v. and its decision to show pornographic films. Participants will march to Complexe des Jardins and demonstrate in front of the Ministry of Public Service. Come!

The demonstration starts near Eaton's because the company is one of the owners of First Choice. Feminists in the city object to First Choice's monetary motive in showing the exploitive films. The company openly states that the decision to screen the films is motivated by their need for more subscribers. Flesh should attract consumers, company officials say.

•Recent statistics from a questionnaire sent out by l'Association féminine d'éducation et d'action sociale (AFEAS) show that 58 per cent of Québec women over the age of 15 work exclusively at home. Their tasks include household chores and watching and educating children. The work they do is recognised neither financially nor socially.

Homemakers are often economically dependent on their spouses and receive no employee benefits such as the Québec Pension Plan. If they decide to enter or re-enter the work force, or return to school, the work experience they have gained as homemakers is rarely considered.

The working conditions of homemakers and society's low regard society for them inevitably affects their self-esteem. They are alone or with small children most of the day, their work is rarely very intellectually stimulating, and they have little opportunity to develop new skills. Since they are not compensated with either money or appreciation, the working conditions of homemakers are among the worst in the world.

AFEAS is extending its research on homemakers to June 1983.

•Women seeking experience in higher-paying, non-traditional jobs are being shut out by the federal government. The Department of Employment and Immigration has refused to fund women for training courses in welding, claiming a surplus of 500 qualified welders in Montréal.

Women can still apply for sponsorship in secretarial training programs. There are 4,000 qualified secretaries out of work in the city.

Other quirks in federal training programs involve a lack of funding for evening daycare or care for children older than seven.

Action Travail des Femmes, a Montréal advocacy group for working women, is currently involved in a number of suits against the federal government for its discrimination in the hiring and training of female workers. The complaint against barring women from welding courses is their most recent case and was filed this fall.

According to Action Travail collective member, Carol Wallace, the Human Rights Commission (HRC) inquiries are proceeding slowly. They are expecting a Spring decision from the HRC on Canadian National Railroad hiring criteria. The charges were filed three and a half years ago.

Action Travail is asking for support to speed up the HRC process.

•Custer's Revenge, the pornographic video game that was denied entry into Canada due to public pressure, has spawned a series of equally offensive — although less graphic — sequels.

Canada Customs reversed their October 18th decision to permit the American Multiple Industries (AMI) game in the country last December following protests from women's groups across the country.

But according to Sheila Brown of Montréal Voice of Women, many games still manage to creep across the border. Several Downtown Radio Shack stores are having a half-price sale on "Hold-Up," a video game whose object is to shoot two bank tellers and rob the safes.

The game is recommended for ages six and up. Although a Radio Shack employee was quick to call "Hold-Up" "a real good game" he thought an older child might enjoy it more.

Stewart Keston of American Manufacturers, Inc. (AMI) has also reportedly created a successor to his brain-child Custer's Revenge. This video game, according to Brown, features a man standing on a balcony, watching two women below him. The man later ejaculates over the women.

The game is not yet available in Canada.

Suzy Goldenberg and Moira Ambrose

Founded in 1911

THE
MCGILL DAILYMutate now —
Avoid the post-bomb rush
— alleged members of
Wimmin's Fire Brigade

Valid anger

One day last week as I was walking home from dinner at a friend's house, I was scared. Though I was walking well-lit streets in a fairly safe neighborhood, I was frightened and nervous nonetheless because I knew the possibilities were there.

The possibility that some man would reach out from a doorway and grab me. The possibility that some man would walk up behind me and clasp his hand over my mouth. The possibility a car would come by and slowly follow me down the street. The possibility that a man would stumble out of a bar and throw his body on mine.

I know the possibilities are there. I know because it's happened to me and it's happened to my friends. And it doesn't stop. The emotion and pent up energy behind these thoughts I can't express strongly or often enough.

I tremble and shake walking home at night and so do my friends. One was attacked in a metro, another while taking out her garbage. Still another while walking to a depanneur — but why?

The list goes on...and on. The horror has been dragged on for centuries and as the list gets longer, anger gets stronger. Now, my trembling is channeled. Fear finds its outlet. Action takes root. Its seeds were the angry shouts of frightened women.

Unjustifiable fear. Walking home in the snow, I can't be sure I'll hear someone behind me. I listen for the crunch of extra boots in the snow and watch for shadows longer than mine. My hands get sweaty and I walk faster, glancing around me to make sure I can locate all people on the street.

Memories return as my blood pumps faster. Three years ago on a summer night. Hey babe, what's goin' down, wanna...? Get away, leave me alone, don't hit me again. Yes, officer. Five six, brown hat...

Unjustifiable incidents, valid anger. Valid anger.

Molra Ambrose

Students
and the Strike

There will be picket lines around McGill in a week and a half.

Most students probably resent this inconvenience. We should try to understand what is going on.

Québec workers in the public sectors and in the universities are being asked to pay off the government's deficit out of their own pockets. This is an easy request for René Levesque to make; as a member of the National Assembly he will get a 6 per cent raise this year and a cost of living increase over the next two. He already has the highest salary of any government leader in Canada. Most of McGill's unionised workers make considerably less than that and have families to support.

The government believes workers should see their standard of living go down in order to reduce the province's \$3 billion deficit. A short time ago Rodrigue Biron, the minister for economic development, announced the PQ will introduce sharp reductions in taxes for large corporations in the private sector. Biron, of course, happens to own a factory of his own.

Obviously there are some people — MNAs, large corporations — who aren't responsible for the deficit, and others — like janitors with children to support — who are. That the Québec government thinks this way should surprise no one.

What is really going on is an assault on the workers:

Not only are their wages under attack, but since they wouldn't lie down, play dead and accept that, the Québec government took away their right to strike.

The real consequences of Québec's policies will be economic stagnation in a province where unemployment rates are the highest in the Western world. Workers with less money buy less, so industry produces less, hires fewer workers, have smaller profits, pay less taxes and so the deficit, which was at the beginning of this warped exercise in economics will grow still larger.

There are reasons why this should be of particular interest to students: the economic stagnation these short-sighted policies will cause mean fewer jobs in the future. They also mean poorer education because of cutbacks, underfunded facilities, and underpaid, unhappy employees.

The Students' Society here at McGill let its campaign against cutbacks wither away. That puts the 400 unionised maintenance workers striking in defence of their living standards, in the forefront of the battle the minute they pick up their placards. For that reason, if for no other, students should respect their picket lines and boycott classes from February 2nd until the day the government withdraws its repressive legislation against the unions and returns to the bargaining table for serious negotiations.

David Shulze



Hyde Park

In 1961, the event that we know as the Sharpeville Massacre occurred when South African security forces opened fire on a peaceful demonstration of women and children. The outside world responded with a massive withdrawal of investments from what was seen as an unstable situation. The South African economy then experienced a profound crisis; it almost collapsed. One of the results of this crisis was the formation of the South Africa Foundation by businessmen concerned with promoting South Africa as a good investment. Today, this foundation continues to solicit and consolidate investment and generally serves as a public relations agency for the Republic of South Africa.

A representative of the South Africa Foundation has been invited by the Students' Society to speak at McGill on the virtues of investment in apartheid. For four years, the Students' Society of McGill has had an official policy against investment in apartheid. Given that the policy of the South Africa Foundation is the direct antithesis of

the Students' Society's, it seems unthinkable to give it a forum at our expense.

Freedom of speech is not the issue here; the issue is whether to encourage—and thereby condone—apologists for the apartheid system. Nobody wants to stifle debate in this issue; one of the concerns of the South Africa Committee is, in fact, to stimulate discussion. We have always made both sides of the argument available and support the right of any individual to debate the subject at McGill. We do not, however, concede this right to institutions whose sole function is to solicit investment to support the apartheid regime. The South Africa Committee wishes to make it clear that it is in no way associated with the sponsorship of this speaker and, further, feels that Council's only responsible option at this point is to withdraw its invitation to the South Africa Foundation.

The McGill South Africa
Committee

All contents copyright © 1982 by the Daily Publications Society. All rights reserved. The opinions expressed in the pages of this newspaper do not necessarily reflect the views of McGill University or the McGill University Students' Society. Products or companies advertised in this newspaper are not necessarily endorsed by the Daily staff. Second class mailing No. 5217. Printed at Imprimerie Dumont, 9130 Boul. Lasalle, Québec.

Editor-in-chief
News Editors

Richard Flint
Molra Ambrose
Peter F. Kuitensbrouwer
Suzy Goldenberg
Albert Nerenberg
Colin Tomlins
Sarah Wells
Greer Nicholson
Bianca Tesior-Lavigne
Ed Arrouian
Chris Cavanagh
Richard Gold

Production

Sports Editor
Edition française Rédactrice-en-chef
Photo Editor
Supplement Editor
Science Editor
Production next last night

Editorial Offices: 3480 McTavish, room B03, Montréal, Québec, H3A 1X9 (922-8955). Business Manager: Angela Marcogliese (922-8959). Advertising Manager: Michael Pacholka, room B17 (922-8902). Advertising Assistant: Marian Aronoff. Proofreader: Ron Fleishman. Type and Assembly staff: Carlos Constantino, Rosemary Oliver, Paula Siepietowicz, Peter Tannenbaum, Brian Topp.
The Daily is a founding member of Canadian University Press, La Presse Étudiante du Québec, and Campus Plus (CUP Media Services).

Letters

A Cruise in Every Household And a Chicken in Every Pot

To The Daily,

"It's not the cruise that is going to initiate a nuclear exchange, it is the Soviets." — Brian Katz (letter to the *Daily*, January 14)

Hear! Hear! Let's all be good Reaganites and get rid of nuclear weapons control! After all, atomic weapons don't kill people: people do. And why shouldn't every Western household have its own cruise? We all know that we're not criminal: we know that we keep the cruise around just in case the nasty totalitarian, expansionist, imperialist Ruskies try something funny. So why should we have to give up our nuclear weapons; why should we deny ourselves our rightful security?

I think Brian Katz had a damn good point when he wrote that "The only thing that the Soviets respond to is a show of strength." Take, for instance, the American show of strength after the Second World War. Who can deny that the Soviets responded to that? Of course their response was to develop nuclear weapons. Yet the principle still remains: a show of strength invariably produces a response.

Brian Katz cannot be refuted; I suggest we all get off our behinds and put an end to this silly peace movement! Why not re-fuse a cruise today?

David Lennox
Philos/Poli Sci U2

English students vs the "computer wimps"

To The Daily,

I am a student at McGill University. Big deal. But I got a complaint.

I would like to be introduced to the wimp who operates the computer that operates my schedule which is ruining my life. What do I mean?

Part of my duties as a big-time university student is the regular attendance of a course modestly entitled "Survey of English Literature." Part II, no less. (That's 110-201B, for you computer wimps.) It seems as though the English department, in its infinite wisdom, has decreed that I (along with the other ragtags who take this course) cannot stomach three consecutive hours of lecture, running Monday, Wednesday, Friday. (An hour each day, let's not be silly.) Hence, we must attend the "big lecture" only twice a week, as opposed to the customary three.

The third hour of instruction, it was decided on the second day, (after the Eng. dept. had taken care of void, Light, and Darkness on the first) should be a "seminar."

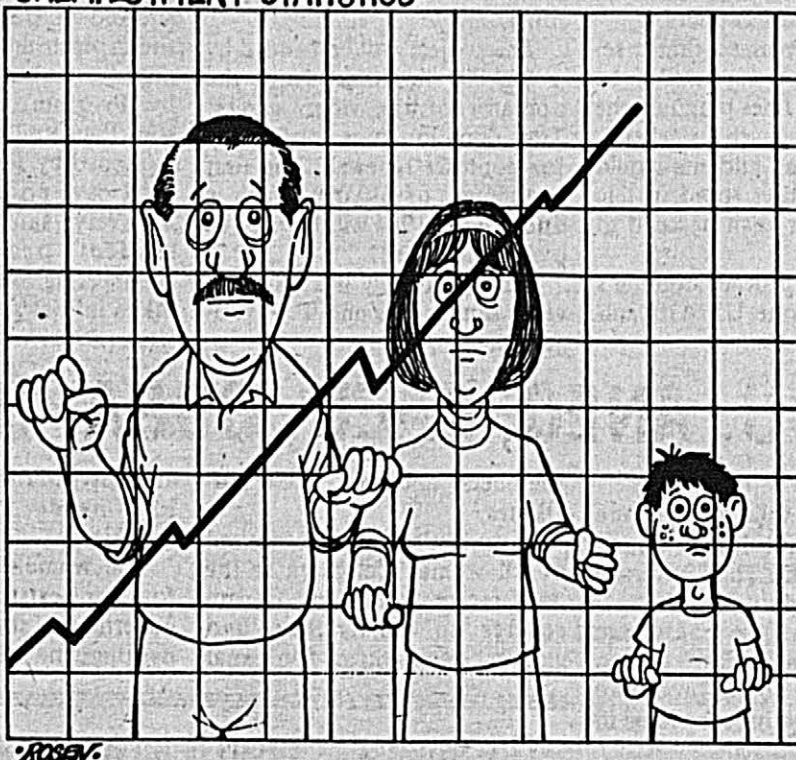
"Seminars", the brochure reads, shall be a gathering of students, betwixt fifteen and thirty in number, assembling to hold informal discussion (the kind we don't see in lecture — it being a large class) on a wide issue of issues pertinent to a "Survey of Eng. Lit." — part two.

So you can guess that I don't go most of the time. Aha!! Listen close to my reason.

It is not ennui, fatigue, or the existence of better drugs elsewhere than those of my T.A.

No, none of these.

UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS



It is because some geek with knowledge of an Apple II has decided that my seminar shall be on Tuesday.

I don't even have school on Tuesday. I sleep on Tuesday. But I am here every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, from 2-3 (that's 14:00-15:00 for the computer wimps), which, ha-ha-ha, is the scheduled hour of this class. In other words, my seminar is not on Friday (from 2-3), the day and hour during which I am mentally prepared to survey English literature, but on Tuesday.

Who decides these things? Since everyone takes this class at 2-3, and is obviously free at this hour on Friday, why the hell don't they schedule all the seminars during this period? And then, if there is cause, let those who wish, request a Tuesday seminar. Then, when enough people have moved their seminar from Friday, the problem of "not enough T.A.s to handle everyone of Friday" is solved. I did not sign up for a course that read: 110-201B MWF 14:00-15:00 in order to show up Tuesday.

And is anyone complaining about this? All you typical McGill students out there (especially the Eng. majors), why don't you do anything? You know who you are: Coats that always hang below the knee, earrings on the males, mod hairdos on the females, always listening to CFMB.

Why don't you do something instead of wasting your time debating whether The Clash has gone commercial. I still wear Levis for fuck's sake — what can I do about it? But you out there: For once, put those Elvis Costello glasses to their proper use and take a look around. Stop mocking how "stupid and naive" the sixties were, and make sociologists stand up and notice that the student of the eighties is something more than a silly fart who makes fun of preppies.

Thank you, I feel much better now.

J.P. Yagor

Someone likes us
(we're working on getting someone to love us)

To The Daily,

Having attended the recruitment meeting and/or open debate of *The Dai-*

ly's last Friday (January 14), and having heard the varied opinions and approaches of different staff members, I must admit I became very interested in the paper and its organisation. I was rather impressed to see that not all staff-members were strongly pronounced gay, anti-chauvinist, leftist radicals as most of us non-Dailyites who roam the campus everyday tend to assume they are. It was encouraging to see that there were indeed differing backgrounds, personalities and outlooks to the staff-members. Yet I did sense a deeper bond or purpose between those staffers, that of, in their own words, "agents of social change."

It is perhaps this defined deeper purpose that most interests me about the *Daily*. For I think even the least aware university student would see the need for social change. And, those that are more deeply motivated would jump at the opportunity to be involved in that change. Yet sitting there Friday afternoon I couldn't help thing that, "the goal or purpose of the paper was not being realised" that, "the overall approach was misguided."

The basic problem being that, although the ultimate purpose of the paper is constructive, its approach is destructive. It seems that positivism needs to replace the existing negativism as the driving creative force. Because to open your student newspaper everyday and get continuously bombarded with the fact that this or that institution is corrupt, that these politicians are taking advantage of us, and that all our social systems are decaying around us, does nothing except evoke, to a limited degree, an awareness of how bad the situation is. Now I will be the first to admit that "awareness" plays a very, very important role in bringing social change, as the latter requires the former. But it is only one side of the coin, and if employed alone, only makes the goal harder to achieve.

Positive constructiveness, and solution production are on the other side of the coin for social change. Now I am not saying that *The Daily* should be answering all the questions or solving all the problems but couldn't they at least make a creative attempt. Why can we never read Features about countries or

societies that are actually coping with development problems or corruption (they do exist, you know?) Why are there few articles in which original solutions are offered, or at least probed? I mean after all this is a university, an institution of higher learning, with fresh minds studying economics, political science, sociology, medicine and all the sciences. Why can we never read editorials in which a positive attitude is being radiated? There is no guidance being offered people by the *Daily*. There is never any support of constructive debate given to contemporary solutions, intellectual or scientific, in fact there is rarely any mention of them. Instead there are vast amounts of energy employed in the task of ripping everything apart, insulting and criticising simply, it seems, for the sake of criticism only. Hasn't the more important goal that you declare to be striving for been lost sight of?

But as I sit writing this letter it hit me straight in the face: "do something about what you see is wrong, by simply complaining you are undermining everything you said above." Hope to be around soon!

McCambridge Lewis
U1 Arts

'Pornography' unclear

To The Daily,

"Pornography" is a delicious noun well on its way to being denuded (sorry!) of all effective semantics. This through ideological overwork. The same fate has already vaporised "communist" and "fascist", just to name two of the original victims of the Persecution of the Art of Language.

Our Lexicon of Real Meanings is shrinking right out of sight. However...

From what I have suffered through on CBC's Journal, I declare myself wholly unfit to judge whether the Playboy/First Choice melée is germanely a matter of juridically-definable "pornographic" content. Since feminist "outrage" seems to have been successful in expropriating all the appropriate jargon, it's probably wisest to avoid the moralists' imbroglio altogether.

Still, my gut feeling remains that the Playboy venture consists in deranged and deranging nonsense: a silly, insidious sexual-sideshow that degrades both men and women in each other's eyes. It's a user-pay/user-play proposition.

But for all that, I am inherently suspicious of any and all attempts to muzzle Those-Who-Want-To-Sell-To-Those-Who-Want-To-Buy. True, free-trade is sometimes rough-trade, but censorship in any form is the handmaiden of all totalitarian predispositions. I am not impressed overmuch by pretty, pious rationales.

To that extent, I am not surprised to discover myself unable to distinguish between the sanctimonious preachings of the anti-porn minions and the anti-democratic moralism of the right-to-lifers, book-banners, prohibitionists and all the other "outraged" Guardians of Public Virtue. Intellectual pietism is, after all, only Puritanism out for a good time.

S.E. Woolley
MA '79

Gerts II: It's dull down under

by Monica Kaiser

Pipe dreams for Gerts II include its transformation into a "quiet blues jazz bar" by next September. Subject to approval by next year's Students' Council, the plan would cost Students' Society nothing, according to Society comptroller Jon Shifman.

The poorly lit, dungeon-like pub amplifies the need for a

complete change. The conflicting sounds of video games, music and pinball machines add to the barren atmosphere.

Shifman explained that a second Gertrude's appeared to be the answer to lines plaguing the student pub each weekend. However, most students would apparently rather stand in line upstairs rather than descend to Gerts II.

"The place is dead, nothing's happening," one U1 Arts student told *The Daily*.

According to Shifman, the solution is improved lighting, imaginative decor and jazz music.

The project will be funded by a \$25,000 donation from the operator of the video games. The donation was obligatory for contract renewal. The first installment of \$10,000 which is due June 1, 1984 will be used to overhaul Gerts II.

During the day the bar provides sandwiches and T.V. programs.



...the 960 dollar man

continued from page 1

do with the *Tribune*," said Smith.

In a later interview, Hicks showed a CUSASET receipt for the typesetting charge that was paid for with a personal cheque by Program Board Chairperson, Paul Reilly, for work commissioned by Bruce Hicks.

"I have no intention of paying \$960," said Hicks. "It was a student prank done for Engineering Week; it should be taken in that spirit. Is the *Daily* worth \$960?"

Prank or no prank, the *Daily* is not amused and is treating the situation very seriously.

"I think Engineering Week was used as a front, an excuse for an act of violence against the staff of the paper who put a lot of volunteer effort into the paper," said Flint.

Nevertheless, the *Daily* invoice has not prompted Hicks to pay immediately for the caper, which won the Program Board first prize in the "Rip-Off Contest": 100 beer tickets. Hicks is a Program Board member.

"It's a shame when student organisations try to make mileage out of things done out of the school spirit," said Hicks. "I don't believe the *Daily* should expect me to pay the \$960. The *Daily* are reasonable people, I'm sure they'll begin to see it in a humorous light."

Humour, notwithstanding, the switched page violates the letter of agreement the *Daily* has with the university, which guarantees the paper the freedom to distribute without interference.

Besides the \$960 invoice, the *Daily* wants the Students' Society to declare publicly that it had no involvement in the incident as well as guarantee the paper safeguards from similar future action, said Flint.

Although the university has been informed of the situation, Flint is hopeful they will not need to enlist their help.

"We'd like to clear it up between ourselves," said Flint. "Student organisations should be able to get along with other student organisations without outside bodies."

"Obviously we reserve the right to take any further action. The decision to take action rests with the staff and the (*Daily*) Board of Directors," said Flint. "I personally hope it can be avoided."

However, Hicks said he is not worried about the invoice.

...CCU, ANEQ, RAEU, CUSA, UQAM,

continued from page 1

motion that a solid fee structure should be established if a movement is formed. The Université de Québec à Montréal (UQAM) walked out of the conference late Sunday afternoon due to conflicts over voting procedure for a CCU meeting scheduled in Québec City on January 30th.

According to Canadian University Press sources, UQAM delegates said they will participate in a student protest against government education cutbacks scheduled for February 23rd, but as ANEQ

members and not CCU affiliates.

A women's caucus comprised of all women delegates at the conference demanded daycare centres in universities and grievance committees for sexual

and discrimination complaints, but needs more daycare facilities.

The women delegates asked for non-sexist terminology in government documents, better lighting and more security on

The women's caucus is an important separate decision-making body.

harassment and discrimination cases. McGill has grievance channels for sexual harassment

campuses and the coverage of tampons and sanitary napkins by medicare. The caucus also took a strong anti-pornography stance.

Motions passed by the delegates of almost 25 student associations include:

- Parental status in loans and bursary applications for pregnant women.

- Opposition to differential fees that foreign students must pay to be educated in the province and the current charge of over \$300 for foreign student medical insurance.

- In reaction to a recent law forbidding college associations from collecting students fees, the conference voted that universities should collect student fees and transfer them to the student associations unconditionally and without charge.

Although the university has been informed of the situation, Flint is hopeful they will not need to enlist their help.

"We'd like to clear it up between ourselves," said Flint. "Student organisations should be able to get along with other student organisations without outside bodies."

"Obviously we reserve the right to take any further action. The decision to take action rests with the staff and the (*Daily*) Board of Directors," said Flint. "I personally hope it can be avoided."

However, Hicks said he is not worried about the invoice.

WINTER CARNIVAL SPORTS SPECIAL

\$2.00
BUYS YOU A TICKET TO



Tuesday, February 1st
Concordia vs Martlets
6:30 pm

Concordia vs Redmen
8:30 pm

at the
Sir Arthur Currie
Gymnasium

AND

BREAKAWAY

WITH THE HOCKEY REDMEN



Laval vs McGill
Saturday February 5th
at 7:30 pm
at the
McConnell Winter
Stadium

Happy Hour 6:30 pm

Tickets available at Sadie's and the Department of Athletics till Feb. 1st. The first 150 students will receive a coupon for free french fries sponsored by Burger King.

Make it a point to breakaway with the Hockey Redmen.

Bring Your Dreams to Melave Malka

with RABBI MEIR FUND

A story-teller, a singer, a teacher, Director of Hillel in Brooklyn

A Jewish Interpretation of Dreams

Sat., Jan. 29, 8:30 pm at
201 St. Viateur W.

\$3.00 students, \$5.00 non-students

Advance registration at Hillel House — 3460 Stanley St.
For more information: Hillel — 845-9171
or Judith Brodt — 276-5688.



IPAC PRESENTS:

"RETHINKING THE UNTHINKABLE"

The Next Phases in the Arab-Israeli Peace Process

AVNER YANIV

- Visiting Professor — Department of Government at Georgetown University — Washington, D.C.
- Director of The Institute of Middle Eastern Studies, University of Haifa, Israel

DATE: Thursday, Jan. 27 at 12 noon

PLACE: McGill Hillel — 3460 Stanley St. — 845-9171

Free Admission...Everyone Welcome



THE EATERY

Come on down to the Eatery and try our delicious full course meal \$3.25 and/or we have our famous daily specials:

- Spaghetti \$1.99
- Hot Beef Sandwich \$2.75
- Chicken Sandwich \$2.25
- Vegetable Pizza \$2.25
- Pepperoni Pizza \$2.75
- Hot dogs, Hamburgers, and assorted sandwiches.

Hillel, 3460 Stanley (below Dr. Penfield)

Clip & Save

Continental elle et lui Hair Stylists




For her: wash, cut and blow dry
Only \$16 with this coupon.

For him: wash, cut and set,
only \$11 with this coupon.

Place Ville Marie 866-2881

Alexis Nihon Plaza 931-2571

Les Coiffures 2020 844-2400

Place Bonaventure (pour Lui) 878-4489

TOP QUALITY PHOTOCOPIES
STUDENT RATES WITH I.D.

COPIEVILLE

8¢

2050 MANSFIELD (Near Sherbrooke)
700 DORCHESTER W (Central Stn)
1520 DE MAISONNEUVE W (Corner Guy)
(de Maisonneuve Location open Saturdays 10:00 to 15:00 & evenings to 21:00)

- close to campus
- immediate service
- color copies
- binding
- curriculum vitae
- theses
- 3-hole punch and collating - no charge

842-4401
866-2091
931-3063

Classified

Ads may be placed through the Daily Ad office in Room B17, Student Union Building, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
The deadline for accepting ads is 5 p.m. two days preceding the issue the ad is to run.
McGill students: \$2.00 per day. For 3 days, \$1.75 per day; more than 3 days, \$1.50 per day.
McGill Faculty and staff: \$3.00 per day.
All others: \$3.50 per day.
The Daily reserves the right not to print a classified ad.

341 - APTS., ROOMS, HOUSING

Sublet 3-1/2, 20 min. from campus. \$195/mo. utilities included. Available Feb. 1. Call 288-8808.

Durocher, 4-1/2 to share. Clean, female preferred. Please call Lorie at 286-1366.

Non-smoker to share beautiful spacious 6-1/2 with two others. Furnished, hardwood floors, high ceilings, balcony. Fifteen minutes from campus. \$135/mo. Heat, water tax included. 844-0344.

Law student seeks quiet non-smoker to share large bright furnished 4-1/2 on Drummond St., 5 minutes from campus. Rent \$250. Call 286-0415 (eves), or 487-7822.

Apt. or flat 2 bedrooms. Preferably furnished. For May, June, July. Handy to downtown. Evenings 484-1481. Days 395-7348.

343 - MOVERS

Moving done quickly and cheaply by student with large van. Call Stéphane, 845-1991.

The Ghetto Mover. Need something moved? Closed truck, cheaper than trailer rental and NO HASSLE. Call Gary 744-6837.

354 - TYPING SERVICES

Professional typing, proof-reading, editing for students, professors, lecturers, etc. English - French - Spanish. Reasonable - near McGill campus - call 849-9708 after 6 pm, try weekends too.

Theses, reports, etc. 14 years experience. Rapid service (\$1.50/page - IBM). Translation in several languages. Mrs. Paulette Vigneault, 625 Milton, Apt. 1004. Tel. 288-9638. Translation in several languages.

Experienced Typist - Term papers - assignments - notes - factums - thesis. Reasonable rates. 481-8995, 481-1593.

356 - SERVICES OFFERED

ENGLISH TUTORING SERVICE. Individual sessions; Proofreading; Translations to English; Oral presentation techniques; TOEFL review for foreign students. 3465 Côte des Neiges, No. 52. Telephone 933-8106.

You can rent a horse for \$55/month, everything included: stable, feed, tack. Beautiful trails and outdoor arena. In Laval, 10 min. from Montreal. Info: 471-8830, Marie Christine.

THE GHETTO BIKER. Is your bike becoming

a beater? Get your bike looking and working like new with a complete overhaul at an off-season price. Housecalls too. Call 842-3371 after 6 pm.

Gain more self-confidence. Increase your ability to memorize and study. Intensify your concentration. Become more assertive. Hypnosis helps you to reach a higher level of conscious awareness. For details call Dr. N. Schiff at 935-7755.

Improve Your Grades! Research catalog - 306 pages - 10,278 topics - Rush \$1.00. Box 25097C, Los Angeles, 90025, (213) 477-8226.

Drop-in Bible Study around the fireplace, Tuesdays 4-7 pm, 3484 Peel. Theme: "How to Read the Bible". Leader: Rev. Chris Ferguson. Sponsorship: Anglican, Catholic, Presbyterian/United Chaplaincies.

LET'S TALK...A workshop on ways to improve communication and resolve conflicts offered by McGill Counselling Interns 7-10 pm, Monday, Jan. 31st & Feb. 7. Please call 392-8880 to register Jan. 17-26.

CHA WEIGHT CONTROL PROGRAM. A unique system for slimming down. Includes: nutritional counselling; weekly review/modification of diet; free weigh-ins - during/after program completion; self-hypnosis training. For details, call Dr. N. Schiff at 935-7755.

361 - ARTICLES FOR SALE

EVERYTHING I OWN'S FOR SALE. Come for coffee and donuts; no (reasonable) offers refused - of special interest to computer/electronics people. Brad at 279-0920.

FOR SALE - Viking washer, \$250; dryer, \$250. Phone 932-9041 after 6 pm.

Hiking Boots - Vasque, light-weight, oil-tanned leather. Ladies' size 9C (men's size 7). Paid \$75. Good winter/summer boots. 288-0376 or 392-4501 (leave message for Mary Murray).

Darkwood dining table and 2 chairs for \$140. Modern coffee table for \$20. Please call 483-5901.

Desk, tables (inc. coffee, bedside & telephone), platform for bed, etc. Made to suit your budget. Handyman available. Near campus. 849-5861.

367 - CARS FOR SALE

Automobile 1975, Regency 98, 80,000 miles, good running order, fully equipped. \$500. Phone 747-1318.

372 - LOST & FOUND

Will the person who took my wallet out of my coat pocket in undergraduate library on Wednesday, Jan. 19 please return it and ID's. No questions asked. Please leave at Sadie's lost and found. Thank you.

Lost in Bronfman bldg on Monday 17th. \$300 cheque. Call anytime, Lazy at 843-5444. Thank you.

Marc Gagné, I have your winter coat which you left in our car last Friday. Call Andrée at 933-8067.

374 - PERSONAL

Desperately need a dance partner for the dance marathon on the 28-29. Call J.P. at 286-0145. Leave a message.

383 - LESSONS OFFERED

SINGING LESSONS (vocal technique, breathing, interpretation), elementary piano, SOLFEGE/dictation. Experienced, certified teacher. Near McGill. Call 844-9633 evenings or weekend.

STUDIO 2 presents a holistic workshop in Massage and Therapy beginning Feb. 5. A detailed study of therapeutic application using Swedish Massage Technique will be highlighted. Preventative medicine for better health! Call Anne Spelsler, M.T., 937-9677.

Aerobic Dance, Monday and Wednesdays, at 5:15 or 6:30 PM, 10 weeks, downtown, from Jan. 31/83. 870-2285 (days), 844-1835 (evenings). Special rates for students.

385 - NOTICES

HAS WORRY, fear, anger or anxiety become a daily struggle? Are your emotions getting

the best of you? If so, try Emotions Anonymous, every Wednesday, 3484 Peel St. 3rd floor, 8:00 pm.

EARN \$\$\$, How? Come and join a growing health-related company. Become a distributor in your extra hours with minimum of investment. Contact Zaheer 845-8359.

DIETERS! For all those interested in a remarkable weight loss program (with a money-back guarantee) please call Lyn at 843-7718 (eves).

MARTLETS & REDMEN BASKETBALL - This Friday, Jan. 28, Martlets at 6:30 pm, Redmen at 8:30 pm. Hoop it up with the Martlets and Redmen Basketball teams this Friday. For further info call 392-4725.

387 - VOLUNTEERS

Like to work for peace and disarmament? The McGill Study Group for Peace and Disarmament needs volunteers for its information centre. Call Mary Garden at 392-4415.

844-3309
1433 STANLEY
(Peel Metro)

ENTRE NOUS
COIFFURE INC.

40% Off Regular Prices
Quality Downtown Haircuts

ASSISTANT DIRECTORS RESIDENCE FELLOWS DONS

The McGill Residences are accepting applications for the above positions for 1983-84. Applicants must be single and be either Canadian citizens or Landed Immigrants. Applicants should be McGill students at the time of their appointment. Interested persons should contact the Director's Secretary in Bishop Mountain Hall at 392-8397 to obtain application forms. The deadline for submitting applications is February 18, 1983.

Anti-pornography demonstration

Tonight at 5:00
at Phillips Square
to protest First Choice
pay T.V.'s decision to show
pornographic films.

WINTER CARNIVAL SPORTS SPECIAL..

**\$2.00
BUYS YOU A TICKET TO**



Tuesday, February 1st
Concordia vs Martlets
6:30 pm

Concordia vs Redmen
8:30 pm

at the
Sir Arthur Currie
Gymnasium

AND

BREAKAWAY

WITH THE
HOCKEY
REDMEN



Laval vs McGill
Saturday February 5th
at 7:30 pm

at the
McConnell Winter
Stadium

Happy Hour 6:30 pm

Tickets available at Sadie's and the Department of Athletics till Feb. 1st. The first 150 students will receive a coupon for free french fries sponsored by Burger King.

Make it a point to breakaway with the Hockey Redmen.

Public Lecture Series McGill Biology Department

DR. JACK VALLENTYNE

Senior Scientist, Canadian Dept. Fisheries & Oceans
President, Canadian Society of Environmental Biologists

— Speaking On —

MAN'S IMPACT ON THE BIOSPHERE

— OR —

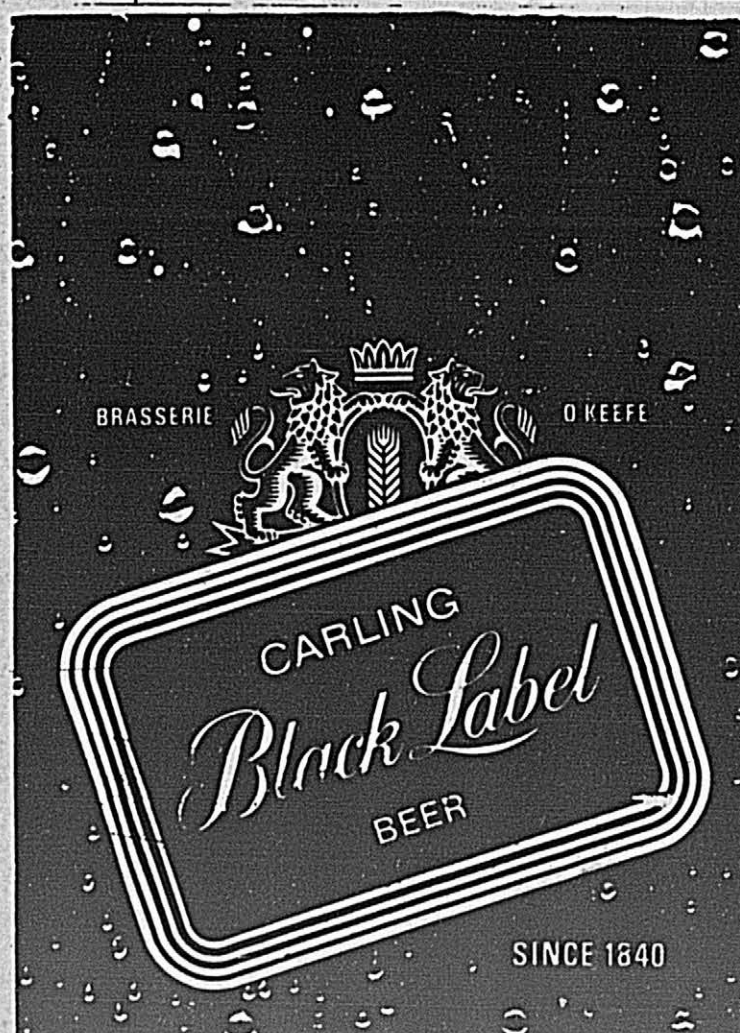
"WHY I CARRY A GLOBE ON MY BACK"

Wednesday, Jan. 26

1:00 pm

Leacock 26

An informal discussion with Dr. Vallentyne may follow in Leacock 110 at 2:00 pm



Computing Centre: student overload

by Alan Mozes

A puffy-eyed student slips into a seat by a computer terminal in Burnside Hall. She is relieved that she can rest. She has been on her feet for two hours waiting to do her homework.

While students continue to complain about the greater frequency and length of the waiting periods for computer time, people attempting to keep pace with the expanding need are frustrated.

Nights of the living dead

At issue is the rapid increase in the number of students registered in computer science classes at McGill. According to Prof. M. Newborn, Director of the Computer Science Department, there are approximately 2,000 students registered in computer science classes this term, an increase of approximately 25 per cent over the previous year.

To accommodate the numbers of new students, more and more courses and class sections are being offered, with unlimited enrolment. This trend combined with sharp increases in Continuing Education's enrolment of computer science students this year — a 200 per cent increase in the fall semester '82 over a year before — is placing a heavier load on the computer facilities administered by the McGill University Computer Centre (MUCC).

Approximately 300 terminals are currently located on campus at 10 different centres, some of which are reserved for use by certain faculties only, such as Computer Science, Engineering, Management, Medicine and Arts. These terminal centres are administered by the MUCC which is independent from control by any one faculty.

The MUCC, directed by Prof. David Thorpe, is solely responsible for funding the purchase of new

computer equipment.

According to Thorpe, the shortage of computer time is due to a combination of financial and administrative "struggles". The money problems began in 1971 when the primary source of the MUCC's funding, the National Research Council (the Canadian Federal Grant Agency), cut its grant of \$400,000 a year.

Today, the MUCC spends 3 million dollars a year on operating costs which are covered by a combination of sources. One million dollars comes from the university. 2 million comes from other sources including: a) charges for McGill's administrative use of computer facilities, which uses nearly one third of total computer capacity; b) charges to researchers a rate 40 per cent below commercial prices; and c) charges to commercial users outside McGill.

Grasping hands

Even so, the Computer Centre has difficulty meeting the demands of all the faculties.

According to Thorpe, the responsibilities of the Computer Centre are both misrepresented and misunderstood by the various faculties. He believes the main fault lies with the faculty directors and professors. Some new courses are offered with unlimited registration or an increase in the homework load with the assumption that the money exists to support the increased burden on the Computer Center.

structure sucks

However, G. Cormack professor of Computer Science sees things differently.

Cormack is frustrated by the faculties' lack of control in face of the MUCC's "take it or leave it" attitude.

"The situation is a pain in the neck. I've had to water down assignments because there is simply no access to the computers," said Cormack. He believes the problems go far beyond the long lineups.

living in the past

The absence of departmental review of budget allocations of the MUCC has led to a decay in services

so that Cormack says it is "hopeless to do research" with university equipment which is not up-to-date.

Professors have been forced to buy their own computers in order to continue work. In addition, Cormack feels the MUCC rate charged for research is far beyond what actual costs mandate. For example, at the University of Manitoba (U of M) the research rate is one-half of McGill's. In addition, U of M terminals have operated all night so students can gain access to computer time. The situation is such, says Cormack, that McGill is one of the more expensive and ill-equipped centres for computer science education in Canada.



The situation is presently under review by the Computer Policy Committee (CPC) which establishes Computer Centre policy.

There are also structural questions. For instance, should per student computer time at terminals be limited to avoid monopolisation of terminal space?

Thorpe believes such a limit would not be "sound" and favors the possibility of staggered assignments that would be coordinated between the professors of any one department. Another option is to implement a "lab-system" in computer course instruction so students would have assigned periods of time in which to do their work.

Either way, it is the students who will continue to wait in the line-ups.

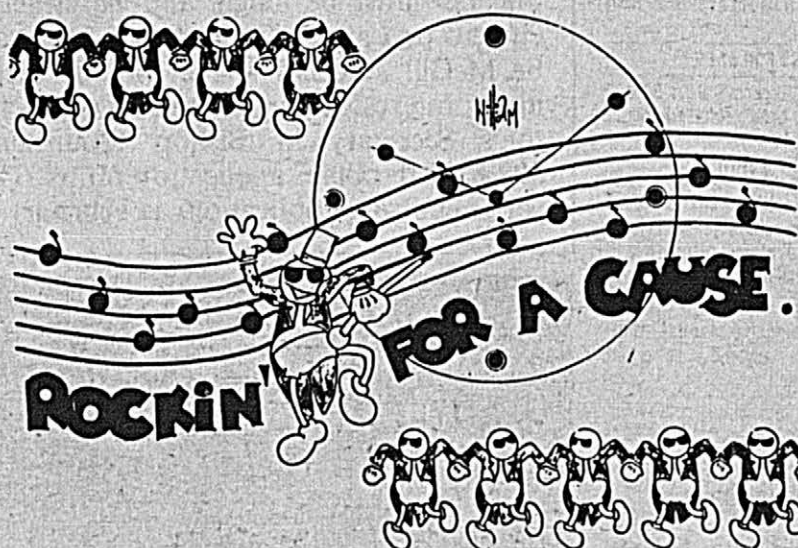
daily — MARTIN ZACH

Friday, January 28th, 9 pm thru Saturday, January 29th

**Biggest
Concert Event
of the Year!**

Admission for non-marathoners:
\$5.00

First 150 tickets
only \$4.00
(offer good 'till Wednesday)



**Celebrity guest
appearances, all night
and all day —**

opening with
Geraldine Doucet!

DANCE MARATHON/BENEFIT CONCERT

All proceeds go to the

Montreal Association for the Mentally Retarded — **A GREAT CAUSE!**

30 hours of live entertainment

featuring

QUICKSTEP

also: MASQUERADE — EXIT — RALPH'S FOLLIES — TURCOTTE — MARK CROSS — IXGLAN

University Centre Ballroom
3480 McTavish

Sign UP for the **DANCE MARATHON** at the Carnival booth in the lobby of the University Centre or at the Program Board Office.

This advertisement compliments of Student Services.

